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AN OPPORTUNITY IN A SCHOOL.

Schofield Barracks needs an additional school-teacher and beyond question ought to have it. The commissioners of public instruction are now meeting in Honolulu and the Star-Bulletin has no doubt that if the full and true facts are brought to their attention, they will supply the needed instructor.

The facts, as briefly mentioned last week, are convincing. At the present time only three teachers are employed to teach the full eight grades and the attendance at the school is large and growing steadily. Those who are personally familiar with Schofield conditions say that while the three teachers are conscientious and capable, they are given too much to handle and that another instructor should be employed, thus giving each two grades to preside over.

As to the general policy of meeting the needs of Schofield Barracks, there is no question whatever. To afford adequate educational facilities for the children of officers, enlisted men and civilian employees is a plain duty, and a duty which the department of public instruction, one has no doubt, will meet gladly. Hawaii's reputation for good public schools is consistently spreading and it should not be impaired by furnishing inadequate facilities for the large army population at Schofield Barracks.

A large expenditure comes to the community directly and indirectly from the biggest army post in the United States. This army post contributes very materially to the prosperity of Honolulu and the territory. Now there is offered an opportunity to do something for the army on Oahu—something tangible and decidedly "constructive." Let the territory give Schofield a school that may be the pride alike of the territory and of the army post! Oahu has been given the largest army post in the United States—why not give this post the best school for the children that any post in the United States possesses? Where can a few dollars be better invested—where will it bring larger returns? It will bring these returns both in the education of future men and women of the United States and in the immediate good opinion and appreciation of the army community and population.

Most certainly it is not to be thought that Hawaii's school funds are so depleted that seven hundred dollars cannot be spared for this worthy purpose.

The army community is not accustomed to make requests upon the territory. It is always ready to answer any request by the territory. One of the pleasantest things in this tremendous upgrowth of military population on Oahu in a very few years is the cooperation between the civil and military authorities to promote the best interests of Hawaii. Here is a chance for the commissioners of education to fulfil a real need and simultaneously to express the desire and determination of Hawaii's civilian government to work hand in hand and side by side with its military population.

GERMANY'S SEA LOSSES AND SEA VICTORIES.

Germany's losses on the sea have attracted less attention than those of Great Britain, and yet the Kaiser's navy has been hard hit and the German merchant marine practically swept from the seas.

The defeat of the British squadron off Chile, the sinking of the superdreadnought Audacious under circumstances highly suggestive either of a mine or a torpedo, and the deadly attack of the German submarine on the Cressy, Aboukir and Hogue have been of such a spectacular nature that the steady British successes are sometimes lost sight of. As a matter of fact, the British war-dogs have been doing considerable execution themselves.

The following figures, like those given for Britain a few days ago, are not official. They are, however, the result of careful compiling of Associated Press reports and the news sent to America by authoritative reporters.

Late in November the British board of trade issued a detailed report stating that after sixteen weeks of war 89.3 per cent of the German merchant marine, represented by 1221 steamers, had been captured or sought refuge in port. In the same period, according to this statement, 2.9 per cent or 195 British ships had been removed from the mercantile service. The daring raids of the Emden and the Karlsruhe accounted for nearly a third of the British losses. It thus appears that Britain has virtually

accomplished her aim to smash the German merchant marine. A large proportion of the Germans, of course, are in home ports. Germany has also suffered some naval losses, particularly in the armored cruiser class. The Koenigsberg, 3348 tons, is bottled up on the African coast. The Mainz, 4280 tons; the Coeln, 4280 tons; the Ariadne, 2618; the Madgeburg, 4478; the Hela, 2003; have been run down by the British; the armored cruiser Yorcke, 9350 tons, is given among the authentic lists of German losses. The 3500-ton protected cruiser Emden, after a dramatic career, was smashed by the Australian cruiser Sydney. The unprotected cruiser Cormorant, 1604 tons, was found sunk in Tsingtau harbor after the Japanese victory. Among the other losses due to British activity are the converted cruisers Spreewald, Princess Alice, and Kaiser Wilhelm; the converted mine-layer Koenigin Luise; the surveying-ship Mowe, the submarine U-15 and the destroyers V-157, S-106 and S-90. An unnamed destroyer was sunk in the North Sea.

Altogether this is a long list, even if most of the craft are small or antiquated. Nevertheless, American writers on naval affairs generally agree that Germany has inflicted more damage upon the British than the British have inflicted on Germany, even when taking into consideration the fact that the main German fleet has stayed in protecting harbors while the British vessels have been roaming the seas and thus more exposed to attack.

The suspected murderer of a ten-year-old girl in California had been drinking on the day of the crime. Yet many people sincerely subscribe to the doctrine that booze-guzzling is a personal matter with the guzzler and that prohibition is an illegal attempt to curtail "personal liberty."

If publicity alone could turn the trick, there would have been a new custom-house several years ago. Also an entire new federal building. There was enough publicity over the federal building idea to secure fifty sites and a couple of hundred buildings.

A correspondent writes to ask about the spelling of several Russian border names occurring in the accounts of great victories. The safest way to spell them is with a question mark placed carefully after the account of the victory.

One General Salazar calls Villa a usurper. Salazar's own credentials are missing but he has started a revolution against the Gutierrez administration, which has been in office for the extremely long term of six days.

Superintendent Rivenburgh has done very good work at Kapiolani park but certain of the newly-elected supervisors seem to think a Republican could make the grass grow better and keep the peacocks more satisfied.

Christmas carols over the city last year inaugurated here a very pretty and appropriate significant custom of the Christmas season. It is to be hoped the idea will not be allowed to fall to the ground this year.

The gunners of Oahu's forts don't need to a bit jealous as they read the war news. Uncle Sam's men are probably the best shots in the world and those at the forts around Honolulu are proving it.

The record of the German eastern army in cutting a bayonet lane for 15 miles ought to pretty well dispel the story that the Teuton soldiers cannot stand up to cold steel.

David Starr Jordan says the Pacific is not worth a fight. This is easy for Dr. Jordan. He doesn't happen to live in the Pacific.

The holiday spirit is in the air and the wise merchants are imbued with it. You will see it by their window displays.

Members of the Hawaiian bench and bar will now have an opportunity to make the acquaintance of Judge Stuart.

Will President Wilson's message tomorrow discuss the results of the new tariff law?

Congress is convening today, thus adding a new factor to the current strife.

Mexico had another revolt Saturday.

THE IRISH-AMERICAN SHIP

By Capt. George Steunenberg

It was the transport "Sheridan" that bore us out to sea; Each masthead flew the Grand Old Flag, and flew it brave and free; "U. S." was branded on her bow and stamped on every boat, But her crew was downright Irish—Irish as McGinty's goat.

The captain's name was Murphy—a skipper passing fair; Dennis Lawrence Gilroy was first officer—two months from old Kildare; McCarthy was the second mate, the bos'n was Malone; While the third mate was John Monaghan, imported from Tyrone.

The surgeon was Jim Dougherty—He came from County Kerry; The steward was Bill Hannigan, a lad from Londonderry; And every man before the mast was Pat, or Mike or Dan, From Belfast, Cork or Queenstown, or perhaps the Isle of Man.

Her hull was shaped like Ireland's map turned edgewise, keen and sharp; Her shrouds run cattawampus like the strings upon a harp; And her mighty twin propellers—by St. Patrick's beard I swear—Look just like four-leafed shamrocks as grow in County Clare.

Beneath her no seaweed blooms and sprouts its tender buds; For nothing grows upon her keel but good old Irish spuds; The salt horse in her harness cask is home-raised Irish pork, While every life preserver looks as if it came from Cork.

When twilight came they lit the lamps, all shining bright and clean; The crew all cheered the starboard light—'twas such a lovely green; But someone gave a marine spike when just off Diamond Head And knocked the port light galleywest because it was cruel red.

Next morning bright and early I turned out and craned my neck To see them lead the long hose out and scrub the forward deck; But instead of plain sea-water—now what do you suppose? 'Twas holy water spouting from the nozzle of the hose.

The mate yelled "Shake a leg, you Jicks, don't stand like rubbernecks;" He turned them out with blarney stone to scour down the decks; And when they cleaned her fore and aft and scrubbed her paintwork too They headed for the mess deck where they all took Irish stew.

I strolled down to the engine room to take a look around; And hear the engines chug and throb and feel the pistons pound; Chief Engineer "Bob" Jennings stood there smoking his dudder, While the rhythmic clang of engines sang "The Wearing of the Green."

Nine days from Honolulu; no signs of Frisco yet; The skipper's headed somewhere else, I'll make an even bet. He's scented danger from afar; his Irish soul delights; And he's taking us to Dublin Bay to lick the Ulsterites.

—From O'Connell's, the Philippine Weekly

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—SIDNEY JORDAN: "Darn the rain," say I. Somehow, the hinaloa at Black Point refuse to bite when it rains, and therefore I lose a lot of sport when the "liquid sunshine" floats down.

—JEROME J. SMIDDY: Besides being United States marshal I hold the position of disbursing agent for the government and federal income tax collector. That's some job, believe me!

—E. H. LEWIS: "One year ago this month more than 2000 tourists from the mainland were visitors to the islands. Today the number will fall short of 200. I guess that we will have to blame it on the war."

—SIDNEY JORDAN: Reports from the Queen's hospital say that H. P. Wood is rapidly recovering from his recent operation. Mr. Wood probably will be back at his desk in the Promotion Committee office within two weeks.

—A. H. FORD: I soon hope to have a well qualified guide and tour manager to look after arrangements for the outings planned by the Trail and Mountain Club. I may direct the expeditions until a suitable person is found.

—GEORGE S. RAYMOND: I think that the teachers of Honolulu have made an excellent move in voting to continue the work of the Teachers' Association. Teachers always will find such an organization greatly to their benefit.

—JOHN WISE: I want it known that I am not in the running for the position of secretary to Mayor-elect John C. Lane. I like gardening and flowers and trees, and therefore I have my eye on the superintendent of Kapiolani park.

—FRANK E. HOWES: Kauai's splendid system of good roads make a remarkable showing despite a prolonged rainy season. In completing a tour of the island I found very few places open to criticism. Honolulu city and county government may well

HENRY GAILLARD SMART CHIEF BENEFICIARY IN THELMAPARKER'S WILL

Designating that her entire estate, valued at approximately \$2,000,000, be left to her husband, with the exception of bequests to certain friends and relatives of her own, and to relatives of Mr. Smart, the will of the late Mrs. Henry Gaillard Smart (Thelma Parker), whose ashes were interred on the Parker Ranch, Hawaii, last Wednesday afternoon, probably will be filed in probate in the circuit court either this afternoon or tomorrow. The will was opened and read following the funeral services.

The will designates that all of the income of the estate until the termination of the trust—that is, until the death of Mrs. Frederick Knight, mother of Mrs. Smart—be left to the husband, with a request that Mr. Smart give a portion of the income to the child after the boy becomes of age. Following the termination of the trust, subject to the payment of certain sums to Mrs. Smart's relatives and friends, and to Mr. Smart's brothers and sisters, the whole property is devised to Mr. Smart with a similar request that he give the child a portion of the income. It is understood that the bequests which are devised to the relatives of Mr. Smart amount to from \$1000 to \$5000. Under the trust deed, which does not terminate until the death of Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Smart's mother receives a monthly income.

The public archives commission is considering the advisability of asking the next legislature for an appropriation to purchase the valuable records at the Volcano House, on Hawaii. If the fund is set aside the original documents probably will be bought and brought to Honolulu, copies of the records being made and kept at the Volcano House.

take a lesson from the administration on the Garden Island.

—JAMES C. QUINN, the incoming board of supervisors may have something to say about the naming of a secretary to the mayor and the board. We will have a caucus within a few days at which a number of applicants will receive attention.

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Personal Mention

PAUL R. ISENBERG has completed a business trip to the island of Kauai. He returned to the city in the steamer Kinau.

A. M. BROWN, deputy county attorney, returned yesterday from Maui where he spent some time on his cattle ranch.

SENATOR JAMES L. COKE departed yesterday in the United States army transport Sherman in a hurried business mission to the mainland.

CHARLES H. BROWN was numbered with the passengers departing for San Francisco last evening in the United States army transport Sherman.

FRANK E. HOWSE is back from a tour of the Garden Island, where he attended to matters connected with the automobile trade. He returned yesterday in the steamer Kinau.

JUDGE WILLIAM J. ROBINSON left for the coast yesterday as a passenger in the United States army transport Sherman. Judge Robinson will remain some weeks on the mainland on vacation bent.

NIGHT FIRING OF BIG GUN AT FORT DE RUSSY A SUCCESS

The night firing of the 14-inch gun at Fort De Russy last Saturday evening was spectacular, and from the standpoint of gunnery was most successful.

The very first shot demolished the small pyramidal target that is towed over the course as an aiming point from which to plot constructive hits. This necessitated a delay of nearly two hours before a new target could be procured and the practice completed. It is stated unofficially that two of the seven shots were hits and all the others very close.

"The work of the 10th Company was as fine as anything I have ever seen," said Col. W. C. Rafferty this morning. "The tracers did not work properly, probably owing to the fact that for 14-inch rifles they are still in the experimental stage."

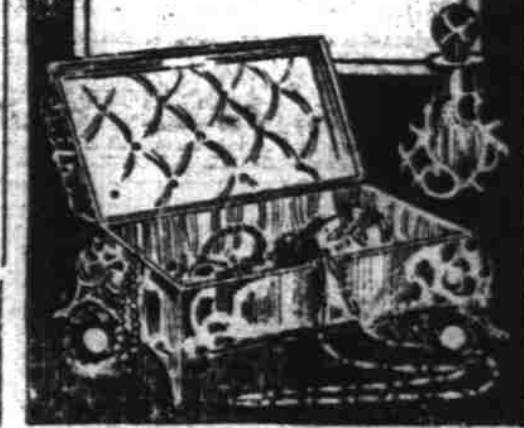
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